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Application No. 09/519,282

Examiner: MOORE, IAN N

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For: DISTRIBUTING FAULT INDICATIONS AND  
MAINTAINING AND USING A DATA  
STRUCTURE INDICATING FAULTS TO  
ROUTE TRAFFIC IN A PACKET  
SWITCHING SYSTEM

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## AMENDMENT A

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The Office action dated September 8, 2003, and the references cited have been fully considered. In response, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. Reconsideration and/or further prosecution of the application is respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.

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